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SUBJECT: COLOR TV FOR VENEZUELA

1. SENATE ADMINISTRATIVE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE INVITED FORMER PRESIDENT OF MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS COLOR TV STUDY COMMITTEE, DR. RUBEN RADIA BUSTILLOS, TO PRESENT HIS OPINION ON COLOR TV SYSTEM TO BE ADOPTED IN VENEZUELA.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, BUSTILLOS STRONGLY FAVORED PAL AND INFORMED SENATE COMMITTEE THAT LARGE NUMBER OF NTSC COLOR TV RECEIVERS ALREADY IN COUNTRY COULD EASILY BE CONVERTED TO PAL BY INSTALLATION OF A \$12 KIT. MAJOR REASON GIVEN IN FAVOR OF PAL WAS SUPERIORITY OF RECEPTION IN MARGINAL AREAS, WHERE NTSC WAS DESCRIBED AS HAVING RATHER CRITICAL COLOR INSTABILITY.

3. NO MENTION WAS APPARENTLY MADE OF DECISION TO MAKE COLOR TV DECISION BY ANDEAN BLOC AUTHORITIES FOR ALL STATES OF REGION.  
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